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SERIAL NO: 10/723,603 :  
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FOR: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS :  
THAT CHECKS HARDWARE  
RESOURCES BEFORE ACTIVATING  
HARDWARE-RELATED PROGRAMS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated April 9, 2010, the following are presented:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.